



SY JAMES PURMORT.

HAD left the lady of however, Marian Phillips was true, and life would have run along very peacefully had it not been for a

He had money, while I was as vot. mere clerk. And there was no one h the liftle un-country town to say

At length there came a heartrending letter from Marian in which she told me of dire persecution to compe, her to marry my rival, and up for me. We had gone no me closing with an expression of fear that there was a compliancy on foot kidnap her-on some prejext or other to get her over into Canada where she could be conceased from the, or at least kept where the laws of the land would not permit her to marry against the wishes of her par-

I did not give much thought to the latter possibility, but the fact that Marian was afraid was enough for me and I started back home the next day. I likewise took along a

At Bronxton we reached the end of our journey by rail, from which place an old-fashioned stage line perpetuated its franchise by means of an open spring wagon with three seats. In the waiting room of the station this was he!

I met two fellow travelers whom I "Be sure and rub my team down had seen on the train but had not recognized. Years had passed since "I've got to get back to Elmdale to had met Mr. and Mrs. Glies, the night. Came over to hire Johnson's ment."

"But that lame horse!"

"The hour's rest will make him all right!" He mumbled a little, but the \$5 bill was a wonderful argument.

identity filled nie with undefined;

fenre What was the object of their jour-

Thankful that they did not recognize me, and unwilling to reveal myself at that time, I gave my name as James Lacey of Springfield, when we negotiated for senta with the stage of time to save her. In an instant I

hired a two-seated carryall, and in-

Again fate seemed to have it laid I began to reason. Either Hank up for me. We had gone no more than half a dozen miles when one of tonight or I must get there before the horses went dead lame, and we barely reached a half-way house by night.

Half an bour later I saw a team laid in an instant. standing in front of the tavern-a "Pat" I said, a team so exactly like the one behind which we had labored for haif a day that I ran out to ask our driver he meant by hitching up again. Rush-ing around to the barn I found the rubbed down the team. And—here driver in consultation with a long, is \$5 for saying nothing—" loose-hung young man with a feeble "Sure I can do that easy." aw and Lay-colored hair, dressed in his Sunday best,

driver say, and with an involuntary Say nothing about it, but after you start I stepped back into the shadows. get your supper come out and hitch Hank Collins was my hated rival, and up for me.

conveyance to do that!"

driver.

A breakdown near a stail town created a diversion in the monotony of the trip, and walking on to the village, which was only a mile away, and in the monotony of the trip and to assist in my undoing! To night they would meet in this little village, which was only a mile away, the work night they would meet in this little village. infamous plot and tomorrow my darviting Mr. and Mrs. Giles to accom- ling would be spirited over into Can-

tonight or I must get ther before him. But how? Then the thoughts of how his spirited team exactly night. The driver assured us the matched my own lame one flashed team would be all right by morning, through my mind and my plans were

"Pat," I said, after the driver had returned with Hank's team and stab-led it. "Have you had your supper?"

'Nary a bit. "Go and get it as soon as you have

"I must get into Elmdale tonight The lady and gentleman who were "All right, Hank." I heard the with me will come in the morning.



ONE OF THE HORSES SUDDENLY WENT LAME.

as I stepped inside the house that in as uncle Silas grabbed him by the a moment of forgetfulness I had sign- hand and hastened to introduce me as ed my true name, Mar!: Hathaway, "Mr. James Lacey of Springfield." "The hour's rest will make him all hated rival standing at the desk read"The hour's rest will make him all hated rival standing at the desk readtonishment, "Why I thought."

respected uncle and aubt of my hat- two-seated buggy. 'ust got news As soon as he was gone I changed making a successful attempt to avoid arrange your trip to Canada.' the location of those two teams, so the uncle, who clung persistently to Hank shot a gleam of hate a

Whatever scheme might be on foot. "I am glad to leave." I hasfly soon noticed that the nephew was broke in. "that you have been able to Hank shot a gleam of hate at me as

Par and I were on our way to Eim-dale, conscious that if Hank followed he would have an all-night job with a lame horse. Before midnight I had told the whole story to Uncle Tom. over to Marian's.

Hank was not there, but his father was, and he glared at me in such a belligerent manner that I immediate— What more might have been seid belligerent manner tont I immediatetook Marian Into my arms and lrisand ber-

"Young man," he said, spreading a plous mask over his face, "do you mean to say that you have come up here to take this innocent girl away from her home and friends and marry her against their wishen?"

"I certainly intend to marry her," I replied, taking Marian'n little hand In mine.

"Oh, Marian, Marian," continued Pa Collins, "oh. little Marian, who has been in my Sunday school class and grown up under my eye, kin you, I ask, kin you so far forget yourself as to marry this man?"

"I certainly can and will," came have lost my money. firmly from "Httle ?'ar'an."

laws of the country having been com-plied with, I as clerk of the county of Wooster certify that you are man and not go." wife."

"They - are wife!" gasped Pa. Collins.

"I am glad to hear you pronounce them so." Uncle Tom flash I rack before any one else could speak. "That all round, for I own half the thares was all that could possibly he necessary to make the marriage regular. Valld, it was, anyway.

"A man doesn't need a two-seated on that the lame horse was in Hank's my side. At length, however, we his uncle exclaimed:

"He does in my business," was the one, suspicious reply,

"There are others going with me

"What do I mean to say—"

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I withdrew, and 15 minut/s later one of these young folks if they would have each other, and both anawering 'yes,' he has pronounced them man and wife, and I as clerk

of the county court will be obliged to told the whole story to Uncle Tom, make cut a certificate for them to That's co." Pa Coulins ejaculated,

or done no one can conjecture, for

into the room. Do you know what that secundrel of a son of yours has done?" Uncle Glies cried, shaking his fist at Pa Col-lins' face. "I sent him \$5.000 to in-vest in the Canadian multier company, with a written agreement that if he should ever wish to tell out the would notify me so that I can d protect myself.

"Last week he made a traudulent assignment without mentioning me as a creditor, and today he was to have gone to Canada with the three men he assigned to, where the assets were to be turned over, and I would

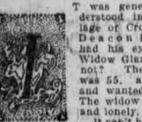
"But Providence was on the side "Then," spoke up Uncle Tem, "the of right, for by mistake he got a ws of the country having been com- tame horse out of Johnson's livery stable, instead of his own, and could

"So it was Hank's horse that got mixed up with yours?" asked Uncle Tom, with a twinkle in his eye. "It was."

"Then Providence was good to us in the Canadian muffier business, and Marian's wedding partion would have been considerably reduced if you had "What do you mean?" demanded not managed to make the exchange, both of Marian's parents in one Sister, shake hands with your new

# HAVING HER WAY or the descon had other things to

BY DELLA DAVYOS.



was generally understood in the vil-lage of Crowell that Deacon Henderson had his eye on the Widow Glazier? Why not? The deacon was 55, a widower, and wanted a home. The widow was 50

It can't be said that the had an eye on him, but she had been heard to say: "If I should ever marry again, which of course, I shan't I should hope to get a man by like Deacon Henderson."

Well, when a deacon has his eye on widow, and the widow is speaking well of him, something is going to happen. It may take a little time, but it will come.

Denson Henderson dropped into the widow's cottage one day, and after complimenting her on her hollyhocks and tomato vines, he said; "Widder, do you know what the

"La, no," "They are saying you and me good one. ought to get married."

"Bless me, deacon!" Yes, that's what they are saying, and I've been thinking it over and concluded that we had."

"Why, deacon-why-why-!" "Don't be flustrated, widder. Take it slow and easy. You was asked once before, you know, and it ain't as if you was a young gal. I've got a house, but it ain't home to me all alone. You've got a house, but t think we'd better jine."

"But I can't get my breath!" "O, well, there's nothing pressing m going down to the postoffice Take half an hour to think it over. "Gimme an hour."

The deacon was back in 62 minutes, and the widow was ready to answer him.
"Deacon," she said. "if we get married we'll live in your house, won't we?"

'We will," "And you'll put down a new carpet ! on the parlor floor?"

"It's a rag carpet and its 20 years old. I helped Sarah cut and sew the



THE DEACON

"For why? The one there is a rage. I shall want a brussels with are good ouff for us." patterns of roses." 'Um! Too much extravagance."

"Then I won't marry you." was and trying to make himself believe Away went the deacon for the section he had a lucky escape. How- ond time, and for two days he patted every after thinking it over for a himself on the back. He could figwork, he returned to say:

"I guess I'd he willing to buy that deal,
carpet, but we must bent 'em down the first price. No use paying shades looked good to him as he sat in the parior, but after three or four in the parior i

per shades, and they've been up five called on her under pretense that he some. Years. You have three parlor win- had mislaid his family cimanae and. He

No, no, green parlor shades you were here!"

"Then I guess we won't get married. Folks have hinted that you to put in that parior to go with the widow standing in her kitchen door

"Lots of foiks. They are only pa- He waited one day more and then

We must have four stuffed chairs Leaning on the well curb and the was stingy, and now I see that you new carpets and curtains."

'Saints and sinner' Stuffed "I spose one can sit down on chairs! Stuffed chairs in our par- stuffed chair?" The carpet and cartains would tempt
Satan 'num. I don't propose to risk
any more!"

"Four stuffed chairs, deacon, and
mebbe a sofa to boot"

"I'm roles."

"But I want something else deaon," answered the widow. "There
must be lace curtains to match the
carpet."
"You don't say "Un; I've got
grean sinder at the winders, and
who's got better?"
"I'm going home! Good day!"
Those stuffed chairs, with an additional sofa looming up in the near
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did continue h for 10 long He ders, we must have three lace car- wanted to know when the moon days and nights. Then he went takes. They must be long enought to would be in her third quarter. After over to ask the widow Glazier if the "Store carpet and store curtains:" "Well, widder, mebbe you are shouted the deacon in dismay. "Why right about the carpet and curtains." paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the deacon in dismay. "Why right about the carpet and curtains." paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he month? No no green paris green paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the soul even by having paris green to dope him with if he minister said he with the widder.

The deacon got home with shaking knees and fell upon the ted and sent for the doctor and the minister. The doctor said he'd get well, and the minister said he wouldn't have his

soul even by having a goldsframed It was a terrible struggle, but after nd.

No, the bug had not appeared, but marriage duly followed.

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How Delegates to Constitution Are Chosen.

### RCTION SOON IS NECESSARY

Candidates Nominated by Petition Only.

Nothing in the Way of Political Desiguation Goes on the Ticket Excepting Nifne of Cant' late and His Position on Licensing the Liquor Traffic-A Few Things are detained. Worth Knowing About Election.

With petitions of numerous candidates for city offices now in the field telegates to the constitutional convention is attracting some attention. It is held that it is not too early to begin activity in this matter. As a matter of fact the provisions for holding the election, and the manner in which nominations are made, are things that me, and no application will be re- are not known to the ordinary voter at this time.

The Democratic Central committee is in receipt of copies of the act pro-viding for the holding of the convenadmission to the examination, and tion and the election of delegates to it each applicant will furnish an eavels and the Mirror herewith sul mits some ope stamped and addressed to him of the provisions of the act, which in here if, in which a certificate of are likely to be most inquired obout Delegates are to be elected at the applicants will be graded on a scale regular election this fall. Marion county is entitled to one delegate, the number below & termined by

each county. Candidates for members of the constitutional convention shall be pominated by nominating petitions only. Any qualified elector may become : candidate, regardless of politics, by submitting to the board of elections. a petition signed by not best than two per cent, of the qualified electors of the county, this percentage being based on the number or votes cast at the jast regular election.

The signing of a petition plodges the signer to the support of the condi- the traffic in intoxicating liquors." inte whose nomination therein is requested. Each rigner must state his from the ordinary petition. No elector signature shall not be counted on

ug more than one petition. Five signers on each separate piece date, f paper are required to swear before o the best of their knowledge. Besides containing the names of before the day effection.

andblates, each petition shall specify as to each condidate:

Mar these of residence, with street elected.

A petit! a may also contain a statement to the effect that the candidate members of the general assembly for for signers, the matter of ejecting is in favor of, or opposed to, the one year, separate submission to the people, by the convention, of the alternative questions "Shall the constitution pro-

## A HEALTHY, HAPPY OLD AGE

May be promoted by those who gently cleanse the system, now and of the ever refreshing, wholesome for should it do so it would only strengthening way and warms and free from all harmful ingredients. To the others as they would like in. The Liquier Osciston.

Signers of petitions shall insert in them the names of five persons who are authorical to 60 vacancies in care of death or withdrawai, but these petitions must be filed with the board of printed on the front of every package.

The Liquier Osciston of the persons who ing the name of the Company—the large syndroxical show two of the large syndroxical shows the large syndroxical

in imposienting liquors; or shall the are men who until recent years were constitution problem the licensing of Where They Stand.

Candidates may file, with their potiplace of gasdence, including bireet flour, h statement as to their position number. But now comes a difference on these questions, but failure to file this country for eighty-sever y such statement does not give the its perfection has thus not been shall sign his name to more than one board of elections authority to refuse had but one of a steady, healthy an petition, and where this is done his to file the petitions. If the candidate nominated has filed of the work of many generations my patition he may have signed. It a atstement of his position, then over the experience that has thus been tas been customary to count names his a me on the ballot, that fact will gained the people of the present of this sort once—on the first petition be printed, as "Pavors separate subsigned-but the provisions of this oct mission license change," if opposed to of the syndicated shows were

Numbershing petitions must be filed strengthen steel with, E / y ; notary that the petition is bent fide with the board of elections not less the thing that could be thought

The names of all candidates nombnated shall be bluced on one indethat he is a consider for member pendent and a strate ladet, without of the constitutional convention for any entities of the accept have met in opposition the reputation if county in which the signatures the statement referring to separate of the Ecological show has stood it is submission of the liquor question. Holding prother office does not disand number, and a declaration by qualify an elector from becoming a tion are entitled to the same compensation and mileage as is allowed to

### ROBINSON SHOWS TO BE HERE JULY 10.

Combined which in to be here of Manday, July to in the enty show of then, when in need of a laxative magnitude that but not talked to the remedy, by taking a desertspoonful blandlehments of the chous trust There is no dancer that it is going to and truly beneficial Syrup of Figs strengthen the syndicate and weaken and Elixir of Senna, which is the trust has no of the positive avertures only family laxative generally ap- to Mr. Robinson but la value. He has proved by the most eminent phy-sicians, because it acts in a natural, a trust ever ruceed in getting the tabinson show within their fold they would then control the world of testtones up the internal organs without ed aggregations. Without it they can weakening them. It is equally benefit only die inter to the three shows they ficial for the very young and the middle aged, as it is always efficient and and cannot direct the movements of get its beneficial effects it is always of the interestent show and that of

wholly unknown to the show world been of a sudden and uncertain ture. The Robinson show has been fixture in the tented agreegate nullify every signature of a man sign- in, this fact will asso be stated in thought of the Robinson show printing over the name of the candi- established a reputation that weakly organized trung would the than thirty, nor more than sixty days harrass a reputable show has been sorted to by the sondienred shi annoy their great independent as sought to divert from it came to nuturally. The result has armny been that the trust has received his Relation 10 Par Shows Combined 1 n t one instance or opposition has to et is due simply to the reputati that it has made and retained by falcalling with the public ever nince b eds bus glunce at the life of ohn Mulinson 16 his Shows I'm ined to .ve that it meeds no affiliatio angregations. America is truly to altable re rescaled in the Joan Rol and be deterricised not whose so ti have in it but to the whole Build Streen to have this gleat enterpris representative show of this country

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